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RIS CLIENT ON THE CONSOLE COMPUTER OF A MODALITY"**

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 6,011,552

AB United States Patent No. 5,654,555

AL German OS 196 25 835

AM PCT Application WO 00/31673

AR "Bildgebende Systeme für die Medizinische Diagnostik,"

Morneburg, 3rd Ed. (1995) pages 684-697.

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

Each of the above references was identified and discussed at pages 1-3 of the present specification, and Applicants stand by the statements in the specification concerning the teachings of these references. English translations of References AL and AR are not readily available to the Applicants, however, the aforementioned

statements in the specification constitutes summaries of the teachings of those references.

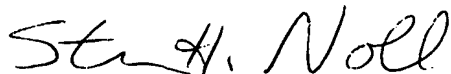
References AA, AB and AL also were cited by the German Patent and Trademark Office during examination of the German application corresponding to the present United States application.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the present application, and is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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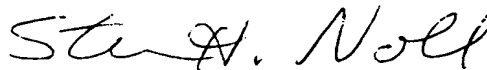
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